

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: U.S. Maritime Transportation System National Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Transportation

2. Fiscal Year

2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee

U.S. Maritime Transportation System National Advisory
Committee

3b. GSA Committee No.

5320

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

09/20/2018

6. Expected Renewal Date

09/20/2020

7. Expected Term Date

8a. Was Terminated During FiscalYear?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next FiscalYear

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority

Energy Independence and Security Act of
2007 (PL. 110-140)

13. Effective Date

08/26/2008

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee National Policy Issue Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this
FiscalYear

17a. Open 2 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 2 Meetings and Dates

Purpose

Regular Meeting

Regular Meeting

Start

02/27/2018

06/11/2018

End

- 02/28/2018

- 06/12/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 2

18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members

\$0.00

Next FY

\$0.00

18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members

\$8,723.00

\$8,800.00

18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff

\$140,002.00 \$142,000.00

18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants

\$33,809.00

\$34,000.00

18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members

\$29,094.00

\$30,000.00

18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members

\$0.00

\$0.00

18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$29,359.00	\$30,000.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$535.00	\$600.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$241,522.00	\$245,400.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	1.10	1.10

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The committee meets 3-4 times each fiscal year, and in subgroups (e.g., teams) more frequently, to address major issues of concern to the marine transportation sector. The committee has provided the Secretary of Transportation with position papers on specific marine transportation system (MTS) issues at their request and has also prepared position papers, resolutions, and such on other matters, for example, marine highways, port congestion, intermodal transportation, and educational materials.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The committee will have approximately 25 voting members who reflect various perspectives of the marine transportation system. The primary areas of marine transportation system represented by MTSNAC include: (1) industry, such as ship-owners and operators, ports and terminals, shipyards, freight forwarders, beneficial cargo owners, etc.; (2) regional representation across the Nation; (3) relevant policy areas such as supply chain, goods movement, infrastructure financing; and, (4) customers, stakeholders, and providers. Consistent with 46 U.S.C. § 55603, the Committee will include representatives of the Environmental Protection Agency and other Federal, State, and local governmental entities and private sector entities.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

At least three meetings of the full committee are held each year, and subcommittees meet more frequently to prepare agenda items for the full committee to consider. The meetings are relevant because they draw from such a broad spectrum of the MTS stakeholders and allow for discussion of broad issues of concern to the MTS.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

It is the only such Government forum that can address all issues that affect the entire maritime sector, and from which the Government can receive advice and recommendations. The Council's primary role is to undertake information-gathering activities, develop technical advice and present recommendations to the Administrator on matters including but not limited to the following: a. How to address impediments hindering effective use of short sea transportation, including the expansion of America's

Marine Highways, as directed in 46 U.S.C. § 55603; b. Approaches to improve waterborne transportation to reduce congestion and increase mobility throughout the domestic transportation system; c. Methods to expand the capacity and productivity of America's gateway ports to accommodate larger vessels and increase the velocity of cargo through those ports; d. Ways to strengthen maritime capabilities essential to economic and national security, including the strategic sealift capabilities of our nation; e. Capabilities needed to modernize the maritime workforce and inspire and educate the next generation of mariners; f. How to minimize environmental and community impacts of water transportation; g. Encourage continued innovation in the maritime sector; and, h. Actions MARAD can take to meet its mission to foster, promote, and develop the maritime industry of the United States to meet the economic and security needs of the nation.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

N/A

21. Remarks

Recommendations made by the MTSNAC are contained in the meeting minutes. The MTSNAC does not issue reports per se.

Designated Federal Officer

Amanda Rutherford Director, Mid-Atlantic Gateway

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Adams, Gary	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Walmart	Representative Member
Baker, John	07/28/2011	06/30/2018	International Longshoremen's Association (ILA)	Representative Member
Berkowitz, Richard	04/03/2014	06/30/2018	Director, Pacific Coast Operations	Representative Member
Berry, Robert	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	EMR/ISL	Representative Member
Brown, Gary	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Georgia Exports Company	Representative Member
Campbell, Molly	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Port Authority of New York and New Jersey	Representative Member
Coda II, Vanta	07/28/2011	06/30/2018	Port of Duluth	Representative Member
Decas, Kristin	02/26/2013	06/30/2018	Port of Hueneme, CA	Representative Member
Faust, Gregory	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Washington State Ferries	Representative Member
Ford, Peter	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	PortsAmerica	Representative Member
Graykowski, John	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Maritime Industry Consultants LLC	Representative Member
Hanson, Bill	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Great Lakes Dredge and Dock Company, LLC	Representative Member
Harmon, Daniel	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Texas Department of Transportation	Representative Member
Hayman, Susan	07/01/2016	06/30/2018	Foss Maritime Company	Representative Member
Henry, Jared	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Hapag-Lloyd USA LLC	Representative Member
Hinckley, Tim	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Americold Logistics	Representative Member
Jenkins, James	07/01/2016	06/30/2018	United States Coast Guard	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Korwatch, Lynn	04/03/2014	06/30/2018	Executive Director	Representative Member
Kruse, Jim	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Center for Ports and Waterways	Representative Member
LaGrange, Gary	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Gary LaGrange and Associates, LLC	Representative Member
Locker, Mark	07/28/2011	06/30/2018	Ohio Department of Transportation	Representative Member

Love, Gary	04/03/2014	06/30/2018	Vice President	Representative Member
Lynch, Griff	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Georgia Port Authority	Representative Member
Lyons, James	07/28/2011	06/30/2018	Alabama State Port Authority	Representative Member
Mabry, Joseph	07/28/2011	06/30/2018	Retired form Lowe's Companies, Inc.	Representative Member
Pelliccio, Jim	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Port Newark Container Terminal	Representative Member
Pennella, William	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Crowley Maritime Corporation	Representative Member
Presti, Torey	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	National Shipping Agencies, Inc	Representative Member
Reinhart, John	02/26/2014	06/30/2018	Virginia Port Authority	Representative Member
Rosenthal, Jonathan	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Harbor Drayage	Representative Member
Seroka, Eugene	04/03/2014	06/30/2018	Executive Director	Representative Member
Sigman, Scott	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Illinois Soybean Association	Representative Member
				Regular Government
Simon, Karl	07/01/2016	06/30/2018	United States Environmental Protection Agency	Employee (RGE) Member
Strauss-Weider, Anne	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority	Representative Member
			University and Agency Partnerships Center for Homeland	
Suttie, Richard	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Defense and Security Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA	Representative Member
Townsend, John	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	KBR Wylie	Representative Member
Vaughan, Margaret	07/28/2011	06/30/2018	U.S. Exporters Competitive Maritime Council	Representative Member
Wakeman, Thomas	09/21/2016	06/30/2018	Stevens Institute of Technology	Representative Member
Wellner, Robert	07/01/2016	06/30/2018	Liberty Global Logistics, Inc.	Representative Member
Wetherald, Thomas	07/01/2016	06/30/2018	General Dynamics - NASSCO	Representative Member
Wieland, Lisa	07/01/2016	06/30/2018	Massachusetts Port Authority	Representative Member
Wright, Brian	07/01/2016	06/30/2018	Owensboro Riverport Authority	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 42

Narrative Description

The Maritime Transportation System National Advisory Committee (MTSNAC) is working to find water-based solutions to our national transportation congestion problems and to develop various MTS proposals. The MTSNAC has reviewed strategies to identify impediments to the expansion of the Nation's Marine Highways and accommodate the Nation's projected trade growth over the next several decades. These strategies will link ports to regional freight corridors, reduce congestion near our ports, and promote environmental stewardship. Additionally, the MTSNAC created a Maritime Workforce Working Group as directed by the NDAA to examine and assess the size of the pool of United States citizen mariners necessary to support the United States flag fleet in times of national emergency and provided a report on the same. The MTSNAC supports DOT's strategic plan by addressing the issues of safety, mobility, global connectivity, environmental stewardship, and security. The MTSNAC works with stakeholders around the country to address our marine transportation system's capacity, productivity, and overall security. The MTSNAC met twice in FY18.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| Improvements to health or safety | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Trust in government | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Major policy changes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Advance in scientific research | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Effective grant making | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Improved service delivery | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Increased customer satisfaction | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Outcome Comments

The MTSNAC serves as a sounding board for both its sponsor, the U.S. Maritime Administration (MARAD), and the Secretary of Transportation.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| None | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Unable to Determine | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Under \$100,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$100,000 - \$500,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$500,001 - \$1,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Over \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Cost Savings Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Cost Savings Comments

N/A

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

12

Number of Recommendations Comments

These include recommendations on improving America's Marine Highways, developing a National Maritime Transportation Strategy, on improving the Nation's ports, strengthening

the Nation's shipbuilding capacity, and on developing the mariner workforce.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

8%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

2 of 12 recommendations fully implemented. The nature of the recommendations may require legislation and thus may not be fully implemented.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

58%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

8 of 12 recommendations partially implemented. The nature of the recommendations may require legislation and thus may or may not be fully implemented.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

Feedback is generally provided by MARAD leadership during Committee meetings.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

Some of the recommendations would require support of proposed legislation.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

N/A

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

N/A